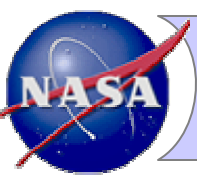




Earth Satellite Direct Broadcast to Direct Readout

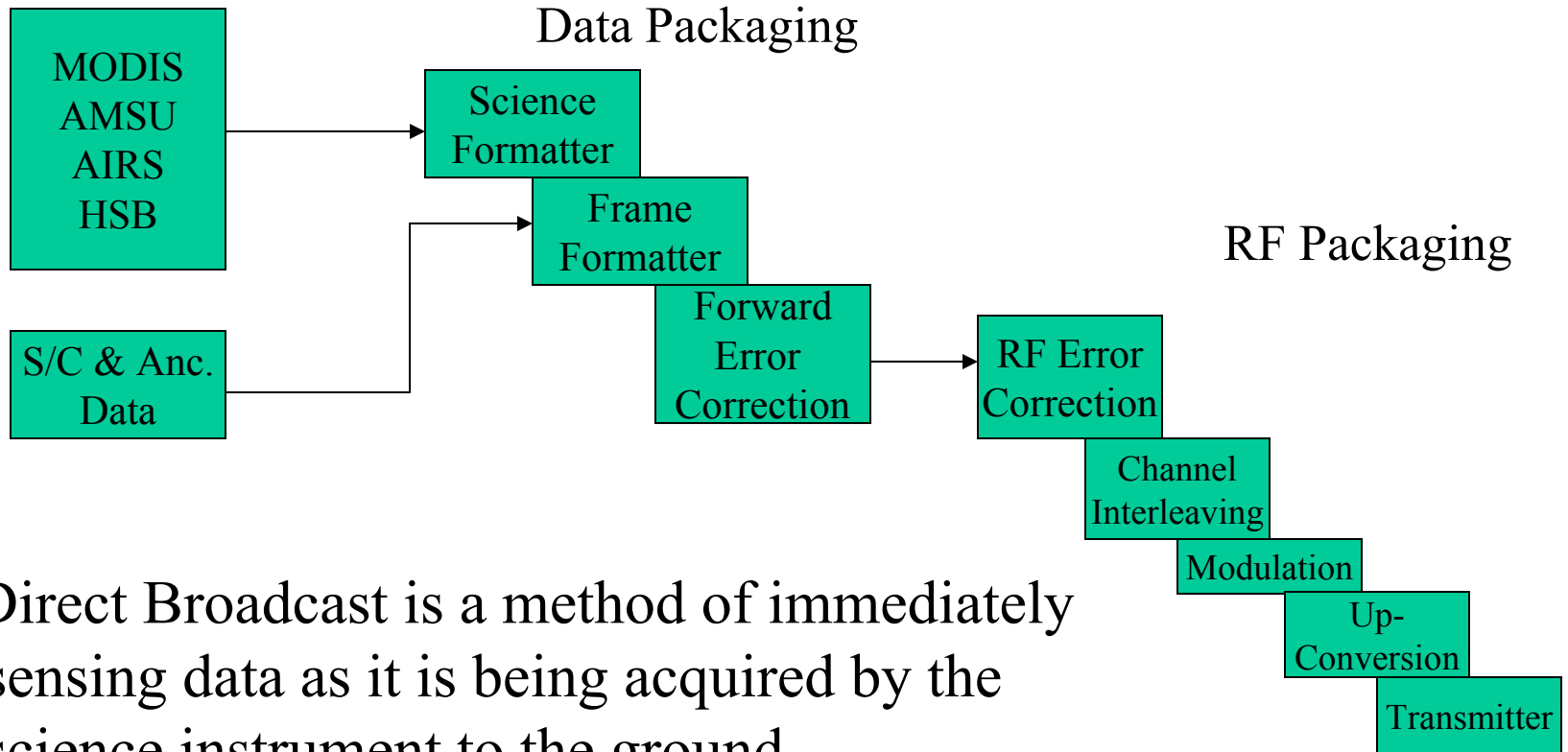
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What Makes a Direct Broadcast Satellite



Science Instruments



- Direct Broadcast is a method of immediately sensing data as it is being acquired by the science instrument to the ground.
- No solid state recorder involved.
- Downlink Data rate commensurate with aggregate instrument output data rate.

Direct Broadcast



Where are the EOS DB Sites?



- *60 known sites*
 - *10 unconfirmed*
 - *20 additional to be operational by next year*
- *40 currently operational*
 - *16 in the U.S.*
 - *8 in Russia*
 - *5 in Japan, 3 in China (6 more unconfirmed)*
 - *3 in Australia*
 - *25 in other countries including Singapore, Thailand, Kazhakstan, Korea, India, Brazil, Germany, Italy*



EOS Direct Broadcast: Global Coverage

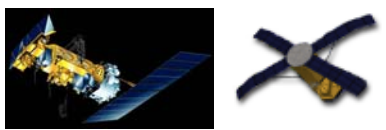




Direct Broadcast Technology *Evolution*



POES/DMSP/SeaStar



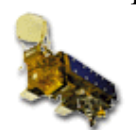
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OLS

Terra



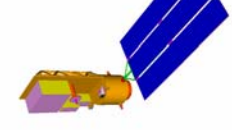
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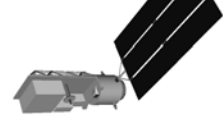
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NPOESS



S/C & Instrument Evolution

Standardization & Increasing RF, Modulation & Bandwidth Requirements

- L,S-band
- .665 - 2Mbps
- Bi-Phase L



- Custom Frame Formatters & Ingest software
- Analog Custom Receivers
- NOAA Level1B (AVHRR)
- Limited Data Distribution mechanisms

- X-band
- 13.1Mbps
- Viterbi
- OQPSK



- S/C specific STPS
- Level-0
- Return Link Processor
- Analog Configurable Receiver
- MODIS Level-1
- DAAC & MODIS Simulcast

- X-band
- 15Mbps
- OQPSK
- NRZM



- Reconfigurable RT-STPS
- Return Link Processor
- Digital re-Configurable Receiver
- MODIS & AIRS Level-1
- DAAC & NEpster with L0 & L1 data
- Simulcast of MODIS

- X-band
- 15Mbps
- QPSK
- NRZM
- Viterbi
- Compression



- Reconfigurable RT-STPS
- Digital re-Configurable Receiver (PC-based)
- ALL Instr. Level-1 Software
- DAAC & NEpster with L0, L1 & L2
- Simulcast of any Instruments

Evolution of Concurrent Ground System Supporting Technologies and Algorithm Development



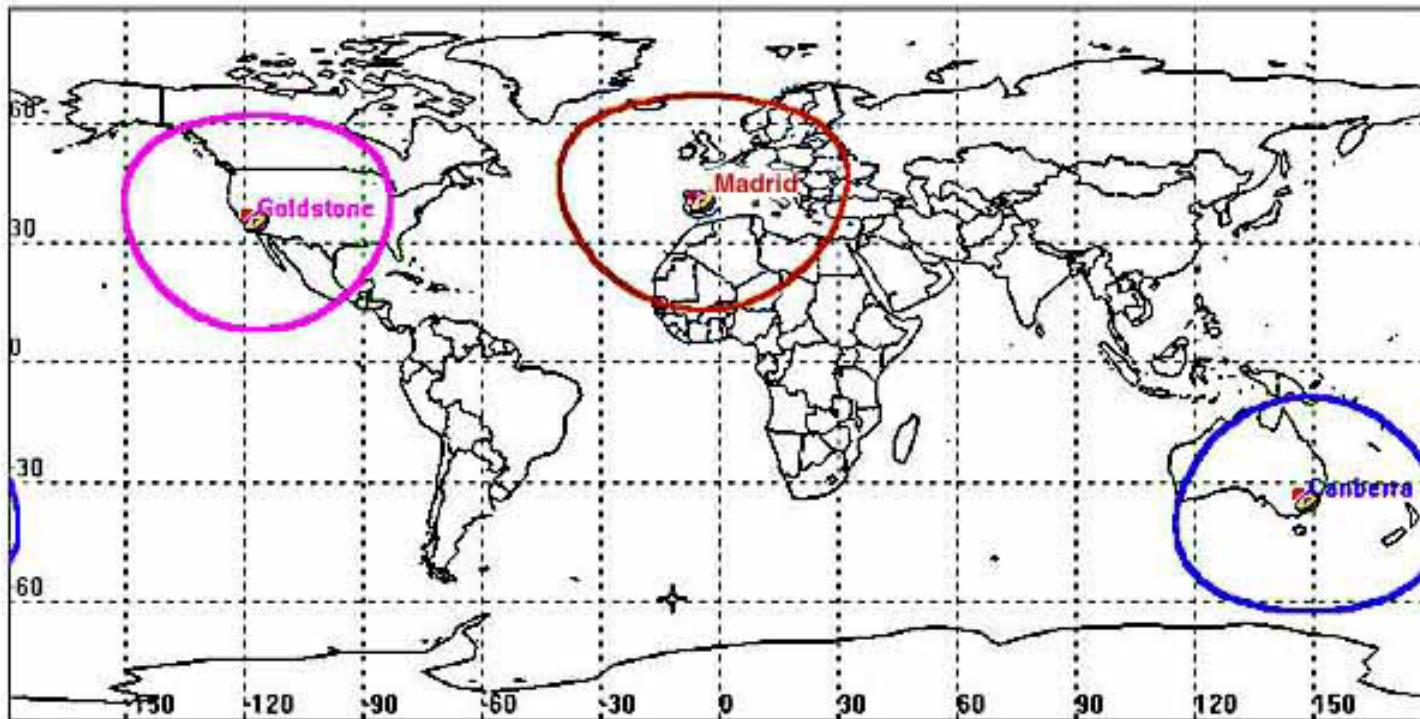
Evolution of Direct Broadcast Transmissions



POES	EOS	NPP
Users: 10k APT; 1500 HRPT Cost: \$500 APT; \$7k HRPT	Users: 70 Cost: \$300k	Users: Legacy + TBD Cost: \$200k
HRPT: (L-band Real-Time) Freq: 1698, 1702.5, 1707 MHz Polarization: RHCP Mod: Split-phase PSK Data Rate: 665.4kbps APT: (VHF Real-Time) Freq: 137.50, 137.62 MHz w/2.4kHz subcarrier Mod: AM/FM BW: 2kHz	Terra: (X-band Real-Time) Freq: 8212.5 MHz Polarization: RHCP Mod: OQPSK Data Rate: 13.1 Mbps Q:I pwr ratio 4:1 FEC: Viterbi rate 1/2, k-7 I/Q interleaved: no Aqua: (X-band Real-Time) Freq: 8160 MHz Polarization: RHCP MOD: OQPSK Data Rate: 15 Mbps FEC: none Q:I pwr ratio 1:1 I/Q interleaved: yes	HRD: (X-band Real-Time) Freq: 7812 MHz Polarization: RHCP Mod: QPSK Data Rate: 15 Mbps Q:I pwr ratio 1:1 FEC: Viterbi rate 1/2, k-7 I/Q interleaved: yes



DSN Site Locations and Schedule



Terra DB turn-off schedule based on ± 5 deg DSN azimuthal pointing



NASA's DR Ground System Development Approach



As the Direct Readout Lab (DRL) we provide an environment for the design, development, integration, and testing of standalone technologies. This enables the validation and testing of satellite and instrument-specific hardware, decoding software, and data processing and management systems that are necessary to acquire, process and distribute directly broadcast data.

The purpose of this environment is to provide:

- All necessary hardware and software technologies, knowledge, information, and lessons learned to the general public through technology transfer and public domain releases.
- A guide to the commercial sector on the utility of Earth remote sensing satellites and its instruments.
- Cost saving solutions for the acquisition, processing, and distribution of Earth remote sensing directly broadcast data.
- Recommendations and enable protocol standardization of data encoding and formats.

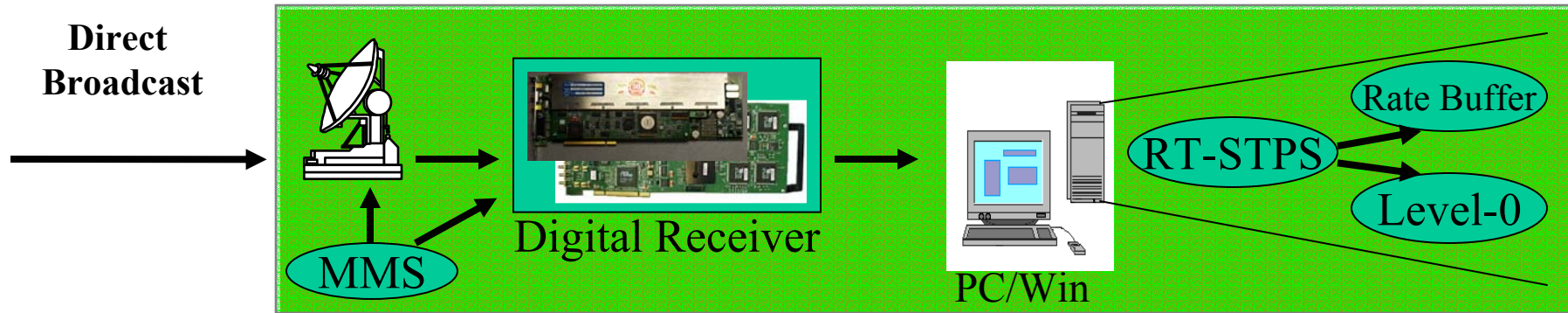
Providing a bridge between the mission and the public DB end user



What makes a Direct Readout System - The Front-End -

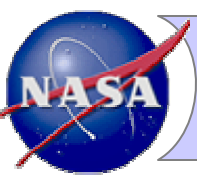


Front-End Sub-System



Functional Capabilities:

- Processes DB data through Level-1 in near-real-time
- Multi-Mission reconfiguration of antenna tracking, RF hardware and ingest software
- Acquires POES & EOS polar orbiting spacecraft
 - COTS 2.4 to 3 meter program track system
- Ingests up to 25Mbps in software
- Real-time packet processing (including RS & PN decoding)
 - Simulcasting of instrument data
- Performs meta-data generation and reformatting for Level-1 processing (Level-0)

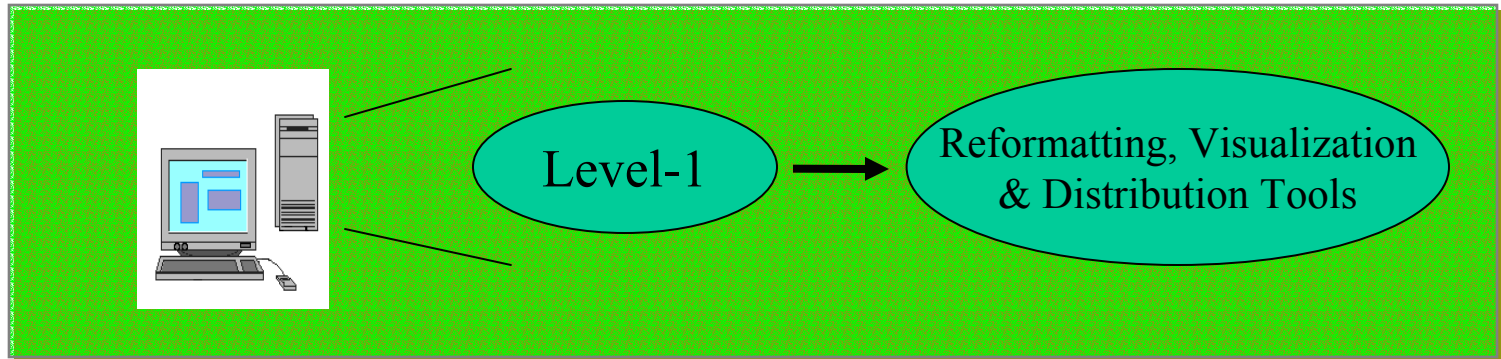


Direct Readout Back-end Components



Data Sub-System

**From
Front End
Sub-System**

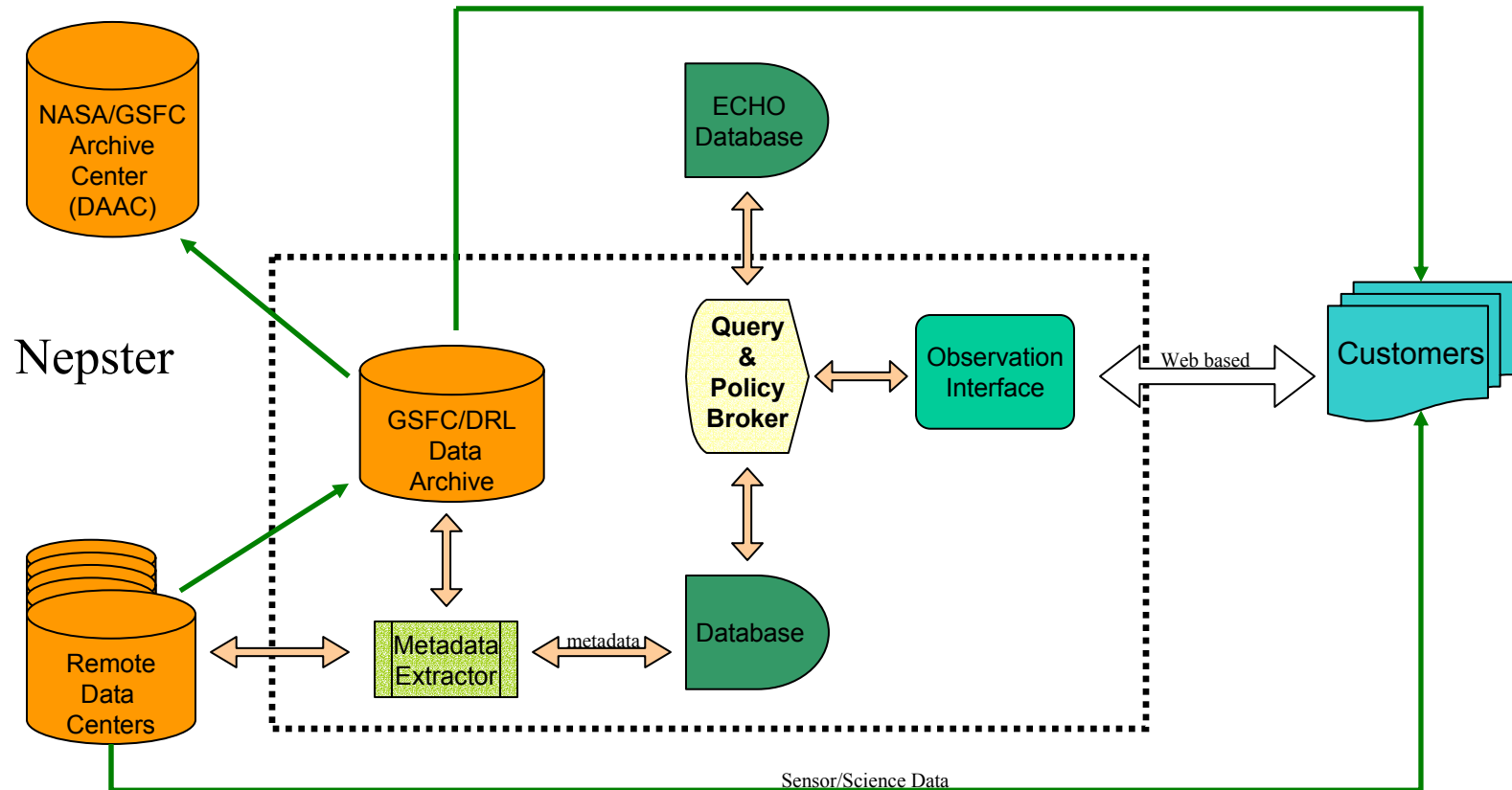


Level-1 Software System:

- Instrument specific Level-1 algorithms to do data Calibration and Geolocation

Data reformatting, extracting and distribution tools:

- User defined instrument image band extraction for visualization
- Data reformatting for transportability
- Meta-data extraction to enable data query



Provides:

- Real-Time notification of data acquisition at a remote site
- A web-based query mechanism for all participating acquisition sites and data repositories
- A temporary archive for remote sites with limited bandwidth
- Automatic routing between the end user and data source

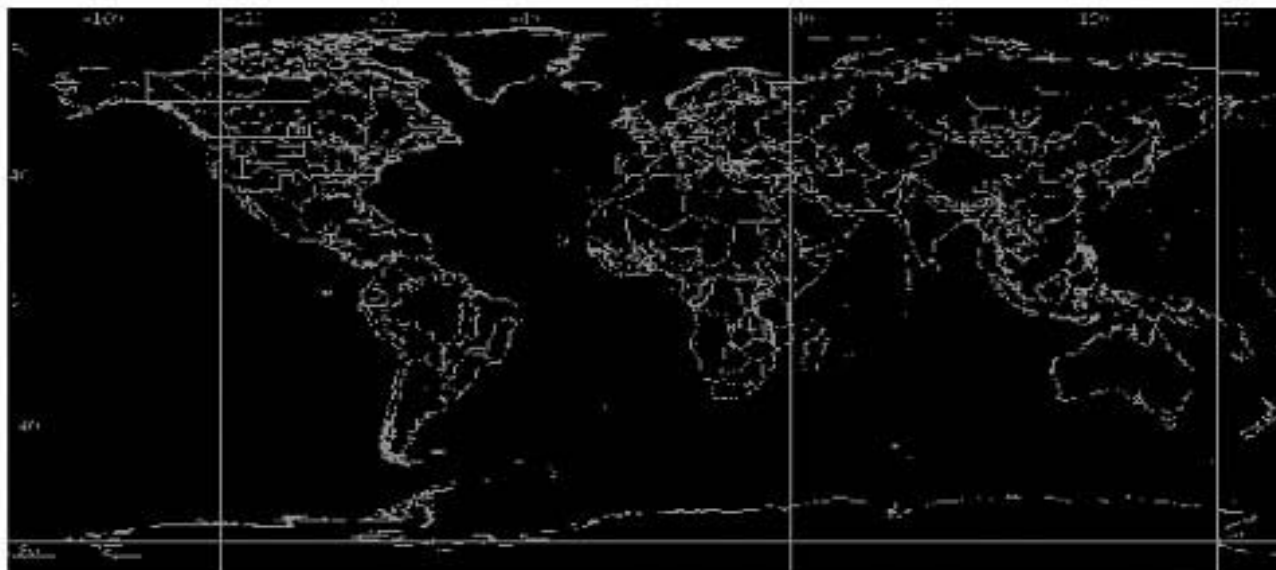


NEpster User Interface



NEpster

Map action: Zoom Factor:



Observation Types:

Date Filter:

Time Filter:

Location Filter:

Keyword Filter: